## LT. GOVERNOR GARAMENDI ISSUES STATEMENT ON THE 36TH ANNIVERSARY OF TITLE IX

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**SACRAMENTO**, **CA** – California Lieutenant Governor John Garamendi issued the following statement today on the thirty-sixth anniversary of Title IX.:

"As the father of five marvelous daughters, as the husband of a terrific and accomplished wife, and as someone who has spent more than thirty years trying to create progressive and innovative public policy, I see the great contributions talented women make in every aspect of California's government, economy, and society. It is hard to think that just 36 years ago, millions of American women faced sometimes insurmountable obstacles in attaining the education they deserved and participating fully in our nation's intellectual and economic growth.

"Today, as we celebrate the 36th anniversary of Title IX, we must be mindful that there are still serious challenges facing many women in our society – equal pay for equal work remains elusive for many, child care and family leave issues persist, and while tough policies have challenged blatant discrimination, more subtle but still insidious forms of discrimination and harassment must still be eradicated.

"Still, we have much to celebrate. And the great strides we have made in the last three decades demonstrate what women – and America – can achieve when we put our minds to it and our hearts in it."

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